

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 877  
By Herron

A RESOLUTION to recognize the Reverend Adam Hall on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Adam Hall is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for thirty-two years as the Baptist Campus Minister at the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Adam Hall received his undergraduate degree from UTMB in 1963 and graduated from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1968; as a student he was an active participant in the Baptist Student Union, the predecessor of today's Baptist Collegiate Ministry at UTM, which he has directed since 1971; and

WHEREAS, after Seminary, he served as the Minister of Education at the First Baptist Church in Crowley, Texas and worked at Southwestern Seminary prior to assuming his role at UTM; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of his community and his profession, the Reverend Hall also contributes his time and numerous talents by serving on the boards of We Care Ministries and Weakley County Habitat for Humanity; he is an active participant in the Martin Area Ministerial Alliance, which he currently serves as treasurer, and he is a former vice president of the Association of Southern Baptist Campus Ministers; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the regular duties of Campus Minister, the Reverend Hall has taken student groups on numerous mission trips across the Southeastern, Southwestern, and Midwestern portions of the United States, and has personally taught discipleship courses in Venezuela, Russia, and Mexico. Being ESL (English as a Second Language) certified, Adam Hall is credited for establishing the International Christian Fellowship on the UTM campus; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Adam Hall has influenced countless young men and women in inestimable ways, helping many, including the Senator sponsoring this resolution, find their call to ministry; and

WHEREAS, Adam Hall has been and is known to some as the beloved "Rabbi"; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Adam Hall exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Hall is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his devoted wife of 37 years, Pat Money Hall, and together they are the proud parents of Captain Adam Reid Hall, III, and Dacia Hall Bumpus, and the loving grandparents of four grandchildren, Annie, Megan, and Claire Hall, and Ethan Bumpus; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, the Reverend Adam Hall has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to the Reverend Adam Hall of Martin our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.